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SUBJECT: COUNTERVAILING DUTIES ON ELECTRONICS PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN

REF: A) TOKYO 9363; B) TOKYO 10609; C) 77 STATE 216916

- 1. REPORT CITED REF A RE CHANGES IN COUNTERVAILING DUTIES ON CAR RADIOS AND TAPE PLAYER COMBINATIONS IS ACCURATE. THESE AND OTHER ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS NOT SOLD IN JAPAN HOME MARKET HAVE BEEN EXEMPTED FROM THE CVD ORDER RESULTING FROM THE APRIL 12, 1977, CUSTOMS COURT DECISION IN ZENITH CASE.
- 2. SUPREME COURT'S JUNE 21 RULING IN ZENITH WILL BRING UNCLASSIFIED

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AN END TO THE CVD ORDER AND THE BONDING REQUIREMENTS. EFFECTIVE JUNE 28 CUSTOMS OFFICIALS WERE INSTRUCTED TO RESCIND THE BOND OR LETTER OF CREDIT (REF C) PRODUCURES ON ALL CONSUMER ELECTRONICS GOODS SUBJECT TO THE ZENITH RULING. HOWEVER, SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION OF CUSTOMS DUTIES IS REQUIRED BY U.S. LAW TO CONTINUE UNTIL DECISION OF THE COURTS BECOMES FINAL. THE SUPREME COURT MANDATE

GENERALLY ISSUES 25 DAYS AFTER ITS DECISION IS ANNOUNED (I.E. ABOUT JULY 10). THAT ORDER WILL BE PASSED FORMALLY

TO THE CUSTOMS COURT THROUGH THE COURT OF CUSTOMS AND PATENT APPEALS. THE CUSTOMS COURT IS EXPECTED TO ISSUE ITS JUDGMENT IN FAVOR OF THE USG TOWARD THE END OF JULY. AT THAT POINT, SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION WILL TERMINATE.

3. BONDS WILL, OF COURSE, CONTINUE TO BE REQUIRED FOR THOSE TELEVISION SETS FROM JAPAN SUBJECT TO THE 1972 DUMPING FINDING. VANCE

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